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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant:	Gilles H Tapolsky et al.	Examiner:	Edward J. Webman
Serial No.:	09/069703	Group Art Unit:	1617
Filed:	April 29, 1998	Docket No.:	1195.335US1
Title:	Pharmaceutical Carrier Device Suitable for Delivery of Pharmaceutical Compounds to Mucosal Surfaces		

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
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This Amendment and Response replies to the Office Action mailed on December 23, 2003.

This Amendment and Response is accompanied by a Petition, as well as the appropriate fee, to obtain a three-month extension of the period for responding to the Office Action, thereby moving the deadline for response from March 23, 2004 to June 23, 2004.

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

**Conclusion**

Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are in condition for allowance, and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicants' attorney at (612) 373-6939 to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

Respectfully submitted,

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